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#### A Constitutional Convention.

The suggestion made by Representative tion be held to consider amendments to versal attention, when the public mind way! is on the qui vive concerning the growth of Federalism. His suggestion is based upon his belief that a constitution framed more than 100 years ago, when conditions were vastly different, when corporations were in their infancy, and when the population was sparse, is a constitution that may lack something now. He does not admit, to quote his own words, that there was embodied in the Constitution "all that might be, or is now, sufficient or desirable for present needs, or to equip

needs of the future of a great country." The proposition thus presented involves too many important considerations to be hastly settled. The main objection, we anticipate, will be the fear that any attempt to tinker with the Constitution will result in a larger degree of amendment than is prudent or wise. Mr. De Armond answers this objection by pointing out that the safeguards interposed in the pathway of all amendments will prevent the enactment of those which are not

It is remarkable that the Constitution has proven elastic enough since it was would stick side by side; but in view of be still more remarkable if, as the years hooves England to send as her next Amgo by, it should continue to prove ade- bassador to this nation a man strong quate for all the contingencies to which enough, suave enough, and capable But it is certain that no effort to amend the good feeling between the nations; a llar in the family it will be seriously undertaken until it is representative who, by his acts and abilevident that such amendments are im- ities, could galvanize into quicker life peratively required.

Whether that time has arrived, as Mr. sea." De Armond suggests, is a question for the country to determine. Certainly it gency that may arise.

"All the world is prosperous," says Secretary Shaw. Even those lands without standpatters, Mr. Secretary?

#### Hands Off in Morocco.

fight for a clause declaratory in the able when certain patriotic societies raised political questions which are entirely alleged to have been ungrateful and un-Hale, of Maine,

peals against the extension of this gov- untenable position to take. Poe was unernment's activities to distant lands fell questionably one of the greatest literary on deaf ears. He endured detraction from lights this country ever produced. every quarter for his opposition to our If Richmond declines thus to honor Poe rallied in such numbers for a clear idea, if allowed to prevail, would like declaration, right at the threshold of the wise relegate to oblivion Nelson. Byron Morocean question. The treaty probably and scores of other great men, literary declaration.

in the Philippines, perhaps. The Cuban petuate the good. problem will continue to embarrass us. But by all means let us avoid entangle-

"The people are not content with technical representation," says Gov.-elec Hughes. The idea of talking about Platt and Depew like that!

# Mr. Root's Speech Illustrated.

tain a normal supply. The emergency is rather than for profit. no doubt pressing, and the Interstate For instance, one of the men foremos plaints the commission will do whatever

lies in its power to enforce a remedy. the elements described by Secretary Root as tending to that extension of Federal 300 words with which they propose may be noted the fallure of the State perpetuate the present schoolbooks and authorities to grapple with the emergency; authorities to grapple with the emergency; so keep the youth of the land in the second, the appeal of the people to the error from which the rest of the world the shape of excessive tariff duties when Federal government direct, without the is to be rescued.

We should think the problem of sup- to relate the present effort at reform other Senators, the better we like Till- I want to get back to the box plying coal to any given community with the board which was appointed by man.

Commerce Commission has no control. graphical confusion.

country. How would a Washingtonian like to be ever. called a "Wash?" Then why say "Jap?"

#### Our Relations with England.

The question of who is to be chosen by the British government to succeed Sir the Louvre on roller skates the other day. .\$4.20 per year Mortimer Durand as Ambassador to the He was probably doing France on one of United States assumes considerable im- those "Seeing Europe for \$9.99" tours. portance in view of the attitude of several of the prominent English papers which affect to find a change in the feelings of friendship of the United States Manuscripts offered for publication will be re-turned if unavailable, but stamps should be sent with the manuscript for that purpose. ings of friendship of the United States toward Great Britain. It is believed by a number of people in England that ina number of people in England that instead of trying to cultivate a greater friendship and a more cordial intimacy with Great Britain, we have been turning more and more toward Germany.

Of course, no such feeling is reflected on this side of the water. It is not a case with us as a nation and Germany and Great Britain:

'How happy could I be with either were t'other

dear charmer away.' We like them both equally well, and are glad to do business with them, and the Federal Constitution will attract uni- we buy from them-all in a neighborly

It is perhaps a slight feeling that they have got themselves in a quandary that of whisky, so it is given out; but the was unheroic clay, and so he merely is responsible for Great Britain's suspicion about us. When, fearing Russia on thesame." her Indian frontiers, as she has done for many years, England saw a row imand Asiatic Japan, she jumped at the Plain Dealer. Perhaps on the theory that opportunity of making an offensive and it is only the real money that talks. for one clause of it-that which provided Davy Crockett. the people to meet the rapidly growing that in case of two nations combining against either one of the parties to the treaty, the other one should come in and help-did much to prevent Russia, in her recent war, from seeking the aid of

> America-there has, by reason of the talk things became necessary. of such a war, arisen the question, With whom would Great Britain be in such a

fight? We should like to believe, of course, that "blood is thicker than wa- banan markets. ter." and that the Anglo-Saxon race that sturdy phrase, "Hands across the

Secretary Bonaparte has submitted would seem safer to amend it or plans for a \$6,000,000 battle ship. This will awarded a salary of \$15,000 for next year. strengthen it than to subject it to doubt- make a terrific hit with that large sec- Some of our Congressmen might make ful interpretation to fit every given emer- tion of the incoming Congress known as good on the salary proposition by letting

# The Proposed Poe Monument.

Richmond, Va., is strangely convulsed over the question of whether a statue of Edgar Allan Poe shall be erected in that dreads having Congress on his hands. city. The council set aside one-half It was appropriate that the successful of the money necessary, to become avail-Algeciras treaty of our purpose not "to a like amount. Violent opposition has anese youngsters. And we were about to depart from the traditional American for- sprung up, however, especially among eign policy which forbids participation by friends of the family of Poe's adopted the United States in the settlement of father, toward whom his conduct is European in their scope" should have been manly. Certain old inhabitants have not that traditional policy as Senator Eugene the man, and find it impossible to look he could express his feelings without re with favor upon a tribute to his genius. There was a time when Mr. Hale's ap- This seems an extremely narrow and

Philippine policy, but his prophecies have, some other city will do so, and in the in the main, come true, and the trend of end Richmond will regret her act. One sentiment is now rapidly setting his way. may have the highest respect for those It must have been a matter of satisfac- who think that Poe should, for personal tion to him that Republican Senators reasons, be denied the statue, but such an could not have been ratified but for this military, professional. Of course, Poe's works will stand an everlasting monu-It is sufficient for the United States to ment to his memory. If the Great Power busy itself with its own affairs and to above can forgive the personal frailties confine itself, as far as possible, to the of the weak and erring below, surely mainland. We cannot retrace our steps mere man may overlook the bad and per- ward while amber ropes of "sweetenin"

> Banker Schiff says: "Our monetary system is all wrong." Yes; but, as usual. the doctors all disagree as to the proper remedy.

# The Friends of Simplified Spelling.

The movement toward a simplified system of spelling, which received such a sis, Dr. T. D. Crothers, of Hartford, hard jolt from Congress the other day, Conn., the head of an institution in that While Secretary Root's warning to the might have a much better chance of suc-States that the Federal government cess if it were not for the fact that among did not attend to their duties is still are the publishers of schoolbooks and tuberculosis. The principal point pre-ringing in the ears of the American dictionaries. Of course, the English sented by Dr. Crothers in his address is people, here comes an appeal to the Fed- language may be in a parlous state, and eral government to be up and doing may need some brave souls to rescue it because the railroads have not delivered from the degradation into which it has

Commerce Commission, within the limits in the agitation for the new form of victims of the great white plague. of its powers, has acted promptly. Its spelling is Dr. I. K. Funk, of the Funk action, however, is suggestive, not manda- & Wagnalls Company, and it does not tory. Its telegram to the railway presineed a very wise man to see what a nice dents of the Northwest merely states that thing it would be for the Funk & Wagcomplaints have been received by the nalls Company if the sheep-bound diccommission that the railroads are failing tionaries they have been selling for years to transport the necessaries of life, the should need to be replaced by lexicons implication being that if the rallway brought up to date. Another leader in this getting at the rate of fully \$10,000,000 ; ing firm in New York which issues a few The incident is a typical one, with all novels, but an infinite number of schoolbooks, and it is patent that if only the power which has been so conspicuous a to start the reform could really be feature of recent political evolution, First officially adopted, it would be idle to so keep the youth of the land in the

intervention of the State, and lastly, the But even among "authorities" on the self. attempt of the Federal authorities to new spelling who have so much at stake find a way to comply with the popular in the proposed change there seems to appeal, even though it be necessary to be a lack of unity and accord. They do From the Dallas News. stretch the constitutional limits of the not seem quite sure about the reforms | Congress has at one fell swoop de-Federal authority. The fact that the they would inflict on the world, and stroyed the movement toward phonetic Federal authority. The fact that the people turned their faces toward the govalready some of the words in the original spelling on executive order, and hereafter even Secretary Taft's name may be ernment, instead of applying to the rail- 300 they are withdrawing, as likely to way presidents, shows the marked popular lead to confusion. Among these words tendency toward invoking government in- is "mist," which they once decided on as terference in the large industrial concerns the new spelling of "missed." Some of the reformers make an ingenious attempt. The more we hear about some of the

peculiarly adapted to solution by railway the United States in 1889 to confer on nen themselves. The car shortage, of the spelling of geographical names, but which complaint is made and which is the two things are widely different; for it said to be the principal cause of the fuel is obvious that the names of new lands, famine in the Northwest, is due, in all new islands, and new seas, named probability, to a technical fault in railway arbitrarily, needed to be harmonizel, management, over which the Interstate whatever the spelling, to prevent geo-

The remedy is sought by careful study | The simplified spellers have had their the post-office at Washington, D. C., under act of of the problem, and when found will be inning, and it has been a longer one applied by the railroads as a matter of than they really deserved. Enough pubself-interest. That the people of the licity has been given to the subject Northwest should appeal to President through the length and breadth of the Roosevelt for improved railway service, land to convince any one that there is no Ernest H. Merrick, . . Treasurer and Business Manager rather than to President James J. Hill, is crying need for modern pedagogues to

> Presidents come and Presidents go, but the old "blue-back" speller goes on for-

A Springfield (Ohio) woman deserted husband because he is tongue-tied It is difficult to please some women.

A man was arrested for racing through

The Charleston News and Courier makes the happy suggestion to Congress that it go on a strike for better pay.

Times are so prosperous that even the anti-Santa-Claus-myth crank has not had a word to say this season.

A number of Congressmen will doubtless find Washington a good enough place duite handsome." to spend the Christmas holidays this year. "Yes; there's go

De Armond, of Missouri, that a conven- shall strive, as we have always done, to fat order from Skibo Castle, then we see that we sell both of them more than mistake the metal in the Laird's make-

man in a hurry continues to say "Gimme-

"The Burmese prefer coins with female minent between her bugbear in Europe heads on them," explains the Cleveland

defensive treaty with Japan. It was a It does look a little funny to see Mr. treaty that answered its purpose well. Roosevelt playing coon to the House's

Tradition says the first locks were made in England during the reign of Alfred the Great, but it was not until civilization had progressed to the middle of the fourteenth century that their use became But now-although there is in reality period of the nineteenth century that no danger of a war between Japan and steel vaults, burglar-proof safes, and such

> Italy will fight the Standard Oil. If Italy isn't careful Mr. Rockefeller may retaliate by cornering the peanutta and

In his anxiety to make it hot for the adopted in 1787 to meet the varying con- Great Britain's treaty obligations there is Hottentots, Emperor William may inciditions of our national progress. It would at least a reasonable doubt. So it be- dentally succeed in making it hot for

Mr. Carnegie says that an income tax makes liars. But it is quite fashionable our developing civilization may give rise. enough to cement with greater firmness these days to have both an income and a

> Chicago packers have established a fine veterinary college at the stockyards. It is a good idea to have the meat well cured, ante as well as post mortem. A baseball magnate has just been

slide for the pennant.

The new Douma will be very radical. and the terrorists are again becoming active in Russia. No wonder Nicholas

It now seems that the entire Japanese ow was precipitated by ninety-three Japget into a war because California insisted upon it being twenty-three for the

As soon as he was informed of Congress European in their scope" should have been manly. Certain old inhabitants have not action regarding simplified spelling. Mr. made by such a consistent champion of forgotten discreditable things about Poe. Carnegle hurried to the golf links. There

# Too Much Sweetening.

From the Kansas City Star. It is related of Gen. Sterling Price that he once stopped at a humble cabin in Missouri and asked for supper. The good wife for the house was thrown into a flutter of excitement over enteraining her distinguished guest, and profuse with apologies for the not very tempting nenu, consisting of corn dodgers, boiled ollards, and wheat coffee sweetened with sorghum. The hungry officer ate heartily of the coarse food, but not relishing the very sweet coffee, passed his cup lation of Herr Olumke, a noted statissaying: "Not quite so much molasses, tician. Its population will be near 14,000,-please." "The idee!" gasped the loyal 000 and its only serious rival will be New would be none too good for Gen. Price if twas all molasses!

# Alcoholism and Consumption.

From the Philadelphia Press. In a recent address before the American international congress on tuberculocity for the treatment of inebriates, took From the Hartford Times. occasion to point out the close connecthat alcohol weakens the blood vessels of

# Field for State Action.

From the Chicago Chronicle. about one-half of our States had inheri- ple has assumed colossal proportions. tance tax laws which yielded them a little more than \$7,000,000. The Census officials believe that by this time the States are From the New York Evening Post. reform is Henry Holt, head of a publish- year from this source. Here is something for Congress to consider before entering this field of taxation.

#### No Protest Came from Carnegie. From the New York World.

Mr. Carnegie announces that he is oitterly opposed to an income tax. But he never protested against the govern- I'm he was pocketing the proceeds for him-

Spelling as We Please.

spelled T-a-u-g-h-e-d. Tillman All Right. From the Cleveland Plain-Dealer.

# A LITTLE NONSENSE.

A CHRISTMAS CAROL.

The Christmas crush Makes women flush, And rumples up their hair. The shops are full At bargains rich and rare.

The Christmas gush Makes liars blush. See Grace to Mabel cling! "What do I want? Why, dear, I shan't Expect one single thing!"

The Christmas lush Requires no bush, For now, oh, sad to tell, That doth imbibe Not wisely, but too well.

The Christmas slush Earns lots of "cush" For rhyming chaps, I wis, Who find it sport Of paying sort To grind out guff like this!

Unavailable. "My man, I'll present you with a piece of soap if you'd like it." "T'anks, leddy. I'd like it well enough, but when one is leadin' a peripatetic life,

one can't incumber hisself wit' curios."

#### THE INNOCENT BYSTANDER.

THE LITTLE BOY WHO PLAYED. Upstairs and down, and through the hall We heard the patter of his feet, Now with his top, now with his bail, Now chanting child songs soft and

And sometimes he was laughing low Or turning, rapt and eager-eyed, And speaking quickly, just as There were a playmate at his side.

Among the roses he would run At hide-and-seek-but for the fair, Long golden rays flung by the sun There were no touching fingers there; Yet he would call by name and name And shout and leap and romp and race And gavly lose or win the gam With all joy's gleaming in his face.

And when the dusk crept down the hill He looked all quaintly out and far To where the sky was calm and still With its wide sweep of dark and star, And he would whisper little things And seem to hear a faint reply When we heard but the beating wings Of some belated butterfly.

He had his playmate in each nook: The shadows dancing on the wall, The gurgling ripples of the brook And ever since he went away And wonder will they come and play As once in his day dreams they came.

Saw not the playmates that he had-The children who make Paradise

#### A golden place, all good and glad. A GENTLE HINT.

"You are so popular," sighs the swain. You have so many suitors." of my left hand. See. The index finger son of a poor farmer in Wisconsin, finger of my left hand-the third finger, Next day he got the ring for it

#### BUSINESS JUDGMENT. "What price is this thermometer?"

She asked the salesman most polite. "Two dollars, ma'am," he said to her, 'Two dollars, and it is all right.'

"O my!" she sighed, "I think I'll wait And come to-morrow to your shop; The papers of this morning state Thermometers by then will drop.' WILBUR NESBIT.

# The Largest City,

From the Chicago Tribune

verflowed cup and saucer and threatened forth this prophetic theory Herr Olumke dangerous the effort of the opposition to more than that which caused the death ing. A new and strong political force with lisaster to the spotless homespun cloth. says the population of Berlin is increas- trap him. He cites authorities, page, line, (enthusiastically), "that coffee ing more rapidly than that of any other and almost exact verbiage, without look-be none too good for Gen. Price if except Budapest, Hungary. To-day ing at the books, with a celerity and ac-Greater Berlin contains more than 3,000,-Berlin's political and

# Two Tremendous Totals.

Two facts of significance stand out in would shear them of their rights if they the most ardent advocates of the change tion that existed between alcoholism and the annual report of Secretary Metcalf. The exports from the United States durthe respiratory system and invites consumption; that the roll of consumptives receives annually vast additions from the year, establishes a new high record. The to have memorized all of the law recoal enough in the Northwest to main- fallen, but the work should be for love ranks of moderate drinkers. A reduction other fact of importance is that during ports. of our national drinking capacity, there- the year 1,178,785 aliens applied for admisfore, means a reduction in the number of sion into this country. That number, greater by 152,286 than the count for 1905, breaks all previous statistics of immigration. The business which the United States is now doing in the exportation of The Census Bureau finds that in 1902 products and in the importation of peo- bachelor member of the Cabinet, and who.

# States Must Wake Up.

Secretary Root was quite right in calling upon the States to magnify their function as the surest way to retain it. Power clings to him who power exerts.

THE COWBOY'S HOMEGOING. 've been sweatin' for weeks on the rounds And I'm all-fired glad that I'm done;

I want to get back to the boy. In my dreams every night I can see him, As pink and as sweet as a rose; With his hands lined across with deep dimples (Those hands can clutch heartstrings, God kno: I can hear that small voice at the hearthside, And can see that fair head, o'er its toy; Small wonder I'm packin' and cinchin'—I want to get back to the boy.

The others are off for the cowtown And hell will be raised there to-night! And hell will be raised there to high:
But the music and lights that I'm seekin'
Will give a more lasting delight;
It's the light that shines out of the cabin,
And makes bright the pathway to joy,
And the music's the glad cry of "Daddy!"

# PEOPLE OF NOTE.

Considering Woodrow Wilson. In the opinion of some influential Democrats in Congress, Woodrow Wilson will be the next candidate of their party of Congress from Cincinnati, must feel to develop the latent literary talent of for President, provided, of course, that the position of son-in-law to the that fecund State, and the man who was William Jennings Bryan meant what he President of the United States, while not the first to "boom" the books he had to said when he declared some time ago that one having an official status under the sell precisely as other merchants sold he was not seeking a third nomination. Constitution, possesses peculiar obligather wares. He was accused of "com-While it is generally conceded that the tions and also some liabilities. Before mercializing literature," but his plan nomination will go to Mr. Bryan with he became a son-in-law he had a great succeeded so well that most of the other practical unanimity in 1908 unless he in political leader, to whom, complacently publishers have fallen into line. the meantime quietly passes the word, and happily, he yielded an obedient ser- The house of Bowen, Merrill & Co.,

was largely influenced in this course by cinnati.

The break between Mrs. Storer, who is work far and away exceeds that of any frequently met in his district with ome question pertaining to his father's vote on the "salary grab." Speaker Can-non, by the way, is the only member of the present House who voted for the repeal "salary grab." The Forty-third Congress repealed the unpopular act, and Uncle Joe" was swept into national pol-'salary grab.'

in the Senate first met in battle array, ance principles had made the orator alive; too busy for politics. can candidate for governor. Each had "civil service reform" and "strenuous ad-We leave his books and toys the same served in the House at Washington, and ministration," and all those things that And so we wonder, too, if he

Is playing somewhere near the throne,
Contented as he used to be

Each of them had to make a man aging diplomatic service—for it he is quanties

by abilities and fortune. His Congres—
of superior mentality. In response to a specific s was this fact that caused him to acquire look like nepotism, and so Mr. Longworth the sobriquet of "Gumshoe Bill," and it suffers from being a son-in-law, without "The idea!" smiles the fair young thing. voters for support, Warner feelingly re-"Why, I can count them all on the fingers cited in the bucolic regions how, as the is Mr. Smugforth, the second finger is Mr. had frequently plowed in his shirt-tail. life. Balder, and the third finger—the third Forthwith his opponent for governor finger of my left hand—the third finger, dubbed him "Shirt-tail Bill," Warner Warner's first name being William. Thus the suffragans had to choose between the merits of "Gumshoe Bill" and "Shirt-tail Bill." Since they have Charged by an Atlanta Jury. donned the toga they have ceased to From the Atlanta Georgian. address each other by their former campaign sobriquets, though when they face each other on the stump in Missouri again next year it is expected that the

#### stirring issue of 1888 will be revived. Rayner's Preparedness.

a fact in relation to the Maryland states-The biggest city in the world fifty years man which gives him a peculiar dislander has made few set speeches in his short experience in the Senate, but those cause of some crime committed the negro hostess. "Catch me skimpin' your sweet-hostess. "Catch me skimpin' your sweet-in'!"—us she tilted the molasses jug up-In a pamphlet he has written to set knowledge of his subject, which makes curacy that are little short of the marvel-000 inhabitants. The rapid growth, with ous. How he manages to carry so great commercial im- a mass of facts in his head and is portance, will place the Prussian capital to draw on them at exactly the right ahead of London, Paris, and New York. He calculates that London in 1953 will leagues. When interrupted by a ques-have 7,000,000 inhabitants. Officer Heard, tioner he is never at a loss for an apt their freedom. answer, which he sends back with a celerity that is disconcerting, if not

startling, to his interrogator. "That man Rayner seems to have read every law book that was ever printed, declared Senator Beveridge after listen ing to the Marylander's argument against ing the past fiscal year amounted to \$1,- the President's recommendation on the

Mr. Beveridge himself is no slouch at the game which Mr. Rayner has mas-

#### Moody Lives in a Flai. Attorney General Moody, the only

tered.

within a week, will don the plain black in his head, robe of an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, now lives at a fashionable apartment house. Until quite recently he From the Detroit Free Press. and Representative Gillett, the crestfallen spelling reformer, and Gen. Crozier, chief of the Ordnance Bureau, occupied a large three-story stone front im diately adjoining the residence of the late Arthur Pue Gorman on K street. Soon after the adjournment of the session of Congress, which required Mr. Gillett to return to his district in Massachusetts, Mr. Moody and Gen. Crozier moved into a house on Massachusetts avenue, where they "bached it" until a few weeks ago. When the present session of Congress adjourns Mr. Gillett will, of course, return to Massachusetts, and ow that Gen. Crozier has removed his to have a hard winter." Lares and Penates to other quarters, and is going it alone, Mr. Moody will be left without companionship in his lodgings Some of his friends say that he is think ing of purchasing a residence and getting his sister to preside over his domestic establishment-unless, of course, his sister should object to giving up her home in Massachusetts to reside permanently in Washington, Also unless, of course-but this last "unless" does not yet even be long to the broad field of conjecture, let alone to current rumor.

### TRIBULATIONS OF SON-IN-LAW.

Sundry Reflections Upon the Career of Hon, Nicholas Longworth,

From the Boston Transcript.

"Yes; there's getting to be a demand for the past, as it constructed new ones them. When a girl receives a \$30 fur, 50 for corpus in a kindler light if the Senator and not been so foolish as to pay it back. A London tailor calls attention to "Mi Nu Guds." If that doesn't get him a fine, fat order from Skibo Castle, then we mistake the metal in the Laird's make-up.

"Yes; there's getting to be a demand for the demand for the same of thought a breadth and to his methods of thought a breadth and for life is journey. But the stamp of Sector that that one worth them. When a sit to onstructed new ones for life is journey. But the stamp of setting to deal with the big particular unexilently to deal with the big practical questions of government along Democratic lines.

"Journal Man, But was his to constructed new ones for life is journey. But the stamp of setting to deal with the big particular and for life is journey. But the stamp of setting to head to his She shut her eyes, this timeworn miss, expecting him to steal a kiss. But his was unheroic clay, and so he merely stole away!

Thomas, of North Carolina, is one of the few who voted against the proposed increase to frankly acknowledge that he crease to frankly

he disaster that overwhelmed so many members of the Forty-second Congress Mr. Longworth's aunt, and the President, who is Mr. Longworth's father-in-law, who is Mr. Longworth's father-in-law, In the field of fiction their first big sucknown as "the salary grab." His father especially since Mr. Longworth's mother was one of these. Thomas pere had all the is reported to be in hearty sympathy with prospects of a brilliant political career, her sister-in-law, must be embarrassing, and would probably have become one of Nor did Mr. Longworth's complications sold over a million copies, which is still calling and which was the first royal to the most potent personalities in the polion this score begin with his marriage. tics of the South had he not voted for The announcement of his engagement salary-increase issue, and then completely associate of Mr. Longworth's-a Republigrandiloquent sentence was assuming rhe- has done more than any other to of Mr. Longworth, The result that ad- and known, dressing him, instead of the audience, there was a sudden and wholly different

and a right royal battle it was, too. In but it was typical of the new embarthat year Senator Stone was the Demo- rassments that were coming upon Mr. minees held joint debates that stirred his most important bill, and his personal methods that fooled all the old Demo- But the President doubtless hesitates to cratic bosses, especially in the cities. It make the appointment because it would was Warner who first dubbed him "Gum- any of those promotions in political life In his plea to the agricultural which should go with it, or at least not be discouraged by it. Mr. Longworth under a new administration will be a new he man, It will open a new chapter in his

JUSTICE FOR THE NEGRO.

It must be a matter of gratification of the North-to observe the action of taken away, or they could be punished the Superior Court jury of Fulton County by fine." Senator Rayner's stirring and timely in returning a verdict of "not guilty" speech against the administration's cen- against the four negroes who were tralization policy in general and its charged with murdering County Police-Japanese policy in particular emphasized man J. L. Heard, in the September riot. We direct attention to this because the News, is a guest of the Riggs House. assertion is so frequently made at the to come will be Berlin. That is the calcu- tinction among his colleagues. That is North that justice for the negro is a element of the Democratic party in his thorough preparedness. The Mary- rare thing at the South. It is generally Blue Grass State, and is emphatic in his charged that where feeling runs high be-

> has no chance for a square deal. There could be no crime which could

negroes on trial was not sufficient to 8 of them having but recently so lesire to bring to account the slayers of section, whisky has been voted out.

# Causes of Taking Cold.

From the Youth's Companion If one who has caught a cold will take Mr. Hagar, is not especially identified thought he will often find that he has with the prohibition cause, but the probaprepared himself for the infection by some tax on his physical condition-some extra work which has depressed his bodily powers, some worry which has preyed on his mind, some loss of sleep, some unSenate, the ticket would be extremely due exposure to atmospheric change, or some dietary indiscretion. For indiscreet eating is one of the most prolific and yet the least recognized of all the predisposing causes of a cold. The tramp may suffer from frost bite, from pneumonia, or from consumption, but unless the farmers' wives along his route have been un-

# Must We Flounder Helplessly?

Mr. Root therefore leaves us in a condition of both hopelessness and helpless- are at the Raleigh, Joei F. Vaile, Judge ness, with dread evolution to do the work D. C. Hayt, and Clyde C. Dawson, promthat the nation will neither face ner consider. It would be a bold statesman who would declare for a general revision of Co Constitution is a part of the nation's patriotism, and we doubt if demonstrated on the part of Kansas, which will be repnecessity for action would bring it.

# Sure Indications.

From the Milwaukee Sentinel. "Do you know, I believe we are going "What makes you think so?" "My coal bills are beginning to come

> To me is very plain,
> For she lets in floods of sunshine
> In spite of all her pane."
> Thus spoke the Grand Piano, His manner free from guile As she showed his row of ivories In one unchanging smile.
>
> —Osservatore Romano.

Roman Poetry.

"The window's lovely character

#### HEARD AT HOTELS.

At the New Willard is William C. Bobbs, president of the Bobbs-Merrill Publishing Company, of Indianapolis, the The Hon. Nicholas Longworth, member man who has done more than any other

as he did two years ago, not to nominate vice. He also had relatives, with whom which through various changes has him, present calculations of the Demo-cratic managers are taking serious account of the availability of the president of comradeship. It is a devoted uncle was established in 1838. It began as a Princeton. They seem to think that and aunt who will leave important af- country book store, selling books, job-Woodrow Wilson meets the Democratic fairs of state, civil and ecclesiastic, to bing, selling printing and wrapping paper, "long-felt want." He is a Southerner of cross the ocean to attend one's wedding. Northern extraction. The State of his It is an unusual political leader to whom firm began to publish books at all, and birth is Virginia, his parents having moved to the Old Dominion from Ohio only a short time before he was born. He graduated from the University of Virginia, from Princeton, and from Johns Hopkins. He practiced law in Atlanta a time the state of the Sirginia from Princeton, and from Johns Hopkins. He practiced law in Atlanta a time the state of the state year or more after graduating from Mr. Longworth became a member of firms in the country. The first essay in Princeton. Then he abandoned the legal Secretary Taft's personally conducted publishing books other than law books profession and took a special course at tour to the Orient—an expedition from came when the firm brought out an edi-Johns Hopkins. He is recognized as one of the foremost students, and as an sulted, including the recent clasping of Old Sweetheart of Mine, and Eleven authority on American history be has not a superior. He is not a pedagogue, tanism with the famous New York polibut a great administrator, and experts tician to whom Mr. Richard Croker has through the personal friendship of the Conscience Gifts.

Who have tested his political convictions just paid so enthusiastic a left-handed poet for Mr. Bobbs. The sale of the compliment. This famous expedition, as poems was very large, and from that uite handsome."

real Democratic faith than Bryan is. His it seems, unmade friendships at a rapid time until the present, all of Mr. Riley's "Yes; there's getting to be a demand for close and intimate association with rate, scattering to the winds the alliances books have been issued through this

works have done much to aid our pub-

ess was Charles Major's "When Knighthood Was in Flower," a book which has selling, and which was the first novel to

be boomed by the modern methods the "salary grab." He had served his signalized his identification with new po-constituents satisfactorily in the Forty-litical interests. At a Tantalus Club din-of influence in the establishment, he was When Mr. Bobbs, who started in the second and Forty-third Congresses, but was defeated for the Forty-fourth on the was defeated for the Forty-fourth on the White House wedding, a Congressional diana authors; people with good names. dropped out of public life. Even to this can—who had been called upon to speak well Catherwood, Edward Eggleston, day the son, whose popularity is second to none of the North Carolina delegation, to none of the North Carolina delegation, the the north carolina delegation and the n removal from office. But just as his first Mr. Bobbs found his first field. The firm torical rounding-out, his eye caught sight the Indiana literary field to be talked of

reached the presidency of his firm, and turn to the sentence, making it stand made a comfortable fortune, Mr. Bobbs tics on the wave of opposition to the complete as follows: "In these days of aspires to political honors. He is talked strenuous administration and spectacular of by his friends as the next candicivil service reform—I don't think much date for the governorship of Indiana.

of your father-in-law."

Mr. Bobbs declared he has heard noth-Missouri's Senators.

It was in 1888 that the two distinguished statesmen who now represent Missouri a not too fanatical devotion to temper-

It is rumored in Indiana, that having

The attorney general of Missouri, Hon. cratic and Senator Warner the Republi- Longworth. He was expected to defend Herbert S. Hadley, who is at the New Willard, and who has won fame as an each had become inured to hard campaigning by reason of the fact that the districts of both were extremely close. Each of them had to make a hord fact bold. We Longworth should be fact that the solution of the fact that the districts of both were extremely close. districts of both were extremely close, Each of them had to make a hard fight for the nomination of his party for govparty feeling to a mighty pitch. Stone travels have all pointed in this direction. part of my business is to represent Mis had secured his nomination by quiet He ought to be our ambassador to Japan. souri in a suit brought against Kansas to determine the ownership of Goose Island, a small strip of land in the Missouri River near Kansas City. been made a sort of rendezvous for prize fighters and sports, and it is desirable to find which State can properly exerise jurisdiction. The other matter calls me to New York, where the last testimony in the suit of the State of Missouri against the Standard Oil and its subsidiary corcorations will be taken. testimony is on the side of the defense, and after it is finished the case will be ready for our Supreme Court. In a general way the suit is along the same lines as that instituted by the Federal government against the Standard Oil It must be a matter of gratification to the citizens of Atlanta and of the straint of trade figure in both. Should South-and it should be a matter of the decision be favorable to the State more than speculative interest of those the charter of the defendants could be

One of the best known and most influential Democrats of Kentucky, Mr. H. A. Sommers, editor of the Elizabethtown Though a strong partisan, Mr. Sommers is not in sympathy with the dominant

condemnation of the "ring. Kentucky will remain in the Democrati column, but there is a good deal of discrouse the feeling of reputable citizens satisfaction with the way things are go of Officer Heard, who died in the dis-charge of his duty, for the sake of our has taken a strong hold on the people, and 93 out of the 117 counties in the But the evidence against the four have voted to prohibit the sale of liquor, ustify the charge of murder, and with-out regard to the jury's own feeling of trict, the Eleventh, which is a mountain Officer Heard, these negroes were given anti-saloon people, in fact, caused the their freedom.

torial race between him and Gov. Mc "The Democratic nominee for gove ble nominee of the Republicans, Justice O'Rear, of the Court of Appeals, is, and should be be made their gubernatorial candidate, and should ex-Gov. Senate, the ticket would be extremely

formidable.

The celebrated case of The State of Kansas against The State of Colorado to keep the citizens of the last-named Commonwealth from diverting the waters of the Arkansas River, is again before usually generous he seldom has a cold the United States Supreme Court, and has brought to Washington the usual array of legal talent representing both

parties to the controversy. The attorney general of Colorado, N. C. Miller, and his assistant, I. B. Melville, inent Colorado lawyers, are also here assisting the State officials, as is Judge D. Beaman, who is general counsel of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company

There is no lack of legal ability, either, resented by Attorney General Coleman, F. Dumont Smith, and other counsel. funny incident was that the two attorneys general came to Washington on the same train and in the friendliest fashion, but with great earnestness argued their respective sides on the Pullman throughout the whole length of their Eastward jour-

# Another Mystery Solved,

From the Houston Post.

Pittsburg's last "mystery" is that of a man who ate three eggs known to be absolutely fresh. His death followed in two There is no mystery about it, however. We believe if three eggs known to be absolutely fresh were placed before us we would drop dead on the spot